

14th October 2016

Message from the head



I would like to invite you all to our annual Family Supper from 6 to 8 p.m. on **Thursday 3rd November**. This is the first Thursday after half term so do please put the date in your diaries. It would be wonderful if you could all come along. Everybody in the family is invited and all we ask is that you bring along a dish of food to share. There will be singing and dancing and a great opportunity to have fun with our brilliant Brecknock community. I believe we will have a number of children performing in bands and a little bird tells me that there will be a staff band too so lots to look forward to. See you there!

Dates for your calendar

There is one INSET day still to be arranged. As soon as it is set we will publish it in the newsletter and amend the list of term dates on the website.

17th-21st Oct	Y6 School Journey
21st October	Whole school 'Be the Best You Can Be' day
24th-28th Oct	Autumn Half Term Holiday
31st October	Children return to school
3rd November	Family Supper
20th December	Last day of term—close at 2pm
21st December	INSET Day—School closed
22nd Dec-Jan 2nd	Christmas Holidays
3rd January	INSET Day—School closed
4th January	School opens—children back

Friday Teas

This is the schedule for the next two Friday teas:
21st October-Year 2
4th November—Year 1



Parents' Coffee

Morning

Come along for tea/coffee and a chat with other parents. Join in with craft making (no experience necessary!) to share and learn new skills.

Attendance Rabbit & Early Bird Winners

Attendance KS1: Mull
Attendance KS2: Corsica and Sicily
Early Bird: Hawaii



Serious nut allergies, please help

We have several children (and staff) in school with serious allergies, mostly involving nuts. Although it is simply not possible for us to guarantee a completely nut free environment we would like to urge you to help us in making Brecknock as free from nuts as possible. Please try to avoid sending nut products into school in packed lunches and avoid cakes or other treats which contain nuts if you are sending in food to share for celebrations. Thank you for your co-operation.



2 Year Old update

We are delighted to say that our plans to provide education for two year olds are progressing well. We will be offering free places for eligible families from January 2017 and plan to offer paid places from April 2017. To find out if you will be eligible for a funded place in January please follow this link.



We are now recruiting for first class staff for this provision and would welcome applications from anyone already part of the Brecknock community. A recruitment advert will be going in the Camden New Journal and Nursery World next week. If you would like to apply please talk to Sam for an application pack.

Reading Eggs & Mathletics

Please encourage the children to use these websites at home!

www.readingeggs.co.uk & www.mathletics.co.uk. Class teachers have usernames and passwords so please get the children to ask if they have forgotten them.



Shackleton in Year 5

Year 5 have been taken back in time to 1914, just before Ernest Shackleton set sail, on a history making journey across the frozen heart of Antarctica. Year 5 were eager to join this expedition and therefore wrote formal letters of application to Shackleton himself. To ensure they wrote to the best of their ability they went through a series of mock interviews. Here are some pictures of them in action.



Little Red Riding Hood in Nursery

For the past couple of weeks the Nursery learning has been focused around the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood'. They had a great time acting out the story, building a wolf trap, making food for grandma and even speaking to grandma on face time! As grandma wasn't feeling very well they decided to make her beautiful fruit printed curtains, she loved them so much she asked them to make her a printed blanket. One day they managed to lock the wolf in the shed and they made lots of signs to warn everyone to 'Beware The Wolf'. They then wrote the wolf a letter and told him to go back to the forest. Let's hope he doesn't come back!



Brecknock Poetry Day!

Videos of the wonderful Brecknock poetry assembly are now up on the website. Click on the links to view some of them straight away!

Mull



Hawaii



Tahiti



Jersey



Guernsey



Madagascar



Place Value in Year 3!

Year 3 have been using loop cards to help them with their knowledge of place value. Each child is given a card with an answer to somebody else's loop as well as their own question which matches to somebody else's answer. The idea is to make a full loop. Can you make your own loop cards at home?



Sumatra



Year 3



Skye



Cuba



Golden Book Awards and this weeks winners are...



Nolawi & Ibtisam—Mull, Ruby & Neo—Skye, Mahad & Ruby—Guernsey, Noah & Maya—Jersey, Zara & Charlie—Y3, Samuel & Dina—Y4, Bradley & Hamdi—Y5, Elara & Naji—Y6